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MASTER of human destiny am I!
Fame, love and fortune on my footsteps wait.
Cities and fields I walk; I penetrate
Deserts and seas remote, and passing by
Hovel and mart and palace, soon or late
I knock unbidden once at every gate!
If sleeping, wake; if feasting, rise before
I turn away. It is the hour of fate,
And they who follow me reach every state
Mortals desire, and conquer every foe
Save death: but those who doubt or hesitate,
Condemned to failure, penury and woe,
Seek me in vain and uselessly implore;
I answer not, and I return no more.

—*John J. Ingalls.*

STRENGTH of character consists of two things—power of will and power of self-restraint. It requires, therefore, for its existence, strong feelings and strong command over them. —*F. W. Robertson.*

GOOD name, in man and woman,
Is the immediate jewel of their souls.
Who steals my purse, steals trash; 'tis something, nothing;
'Twas mine, 'tis his, and has been slave to thousands;
But he that filches from me my good name,
Robs me of that, which not enriches him,
And makes me poor indeed. —*Shakespeare.*

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LIVE for something, have a purpose,
And that purpose keep in view;
Drifting like a helpless vessel,
Thou canst ne'er to life be true,
Half the wrecks that strew life's ocean,
If some start had been their guide,
Might have long been riding safely,—
But they drifted with the tide.

—*Robert Whitaker.*

WITH malice towards none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wound; to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations. —*Abraham Lincoln.*

LET us never be betrayed into saying we have finished our education; because that would mean we had stopped growing. There is always the upward dimension possible for us. —*Julia H. Gulliver.*

THE best help is not to bear the troubles of others for them, but to inspire them with courage and energy to bear their burdens for themselves and meet the difficulties of life bravely. —*Lubbock.*

IT is in loving, not in being loved,
The heart is blessed;
It is in giving, not in seeking gifts,
We find our quest.
Whatever be thy longing or thy need,
That do thou give.
So shalt thy soul be fed, and thou, indeed,
Shalt truly live. —*M. E. Russell.*

MY HEART LEAPS UP WHEN I BEHOLD

MY heart leaps up when I behold
A rainbow in the sky;
So was it when my life began;
So is it now I am a man;
So be it when I shall grow old,
Or let me die!
The Child is father of the Man;
And I could wish my days to be
Bound each to each by natural piety.
—*Wordsworth.*

IF there be no loyalty there can be no great friendship.
—*Black.*

ALWAYS endeavor to be really what you would wish to appear. —*Granville Sharp.*

SOME friendships grow and ripen steadily with the years. They have become part of our lives and we just accept them with sweet content and glad confidence. We have discovered that somehow we are rested and inspired by a certain comradeship; that we understand and are understood easily.

—*Black.*

GOOD habits, habits of industry, conscientiousness, thoroughness, method, accuracy, and punctuality, once formed by a young man, are a fortune of themselves; inwrought in the very fibres of his being, they become a part of himself, and insure his success as no outward help can possibly do. On the other hand, bad habits, though quickly acquired, hang forever on the wheels of enterprise, and obstruct and defeat all progress, to the ruin and shame of their victim. —*William Matthews.*

"AN achievement to *be* proud of is that which carries immortality with it. No success is worthy the name which does not include character *development.* If a career has not an upward as well as an onward tendency, if a man has groveled in the mire, he is a failure, though he have millions. That only is real success which aspires, which looks up, and which helps to look up as well."

DO the duty which lies nearest thee. Thy second duty will already have become clearer. —*Thomas Carlyle.*

IN Life's small things be resolute and great
To keep thy muscles trained; know'st thou when fate
Thy measure takes? or when she'll say to thee,
"I find thee worthy, do this thing for me!"

—*Emerson.*

"IT IS a grand thing to live—to open the eyes in the morning and look out upon the world, to drink in the pure air and enjoy the sweet sunshine, to feel the pulse bound and the being thrill with the consciousness of strength and power in every nerve; it is a good thing simply to be alive, and it is a good world to live in, in spite of the abuse we are fond of giving it."

THE prosperity of a nation depends upon the health and morals of its citizens, and the health and morals of people depend mainly upon the food they eat and the houses they live in. The time has come when we must have a science in domestic economy, and it must be worked out in the homes of our educated women. A knowledge of the elements of chemistry and physics must be applied to the daily living.

—*Ellen Richards.*

I CALL, therefore, a complete and generous education, that which fits a man to perform justly, skillfully, and magnanimously, all the offices, both private and public, of war and peace. —*John Milton.*

WHOEVER yields to temptation debases himself with a debasement from which he can never rise. A man can be wronged and live; but the unrestricted, unchecked impulse to do wrong is the first and the second death.

—*Horace Mann.*

WE need someone to believe us—if we do well, we want our work commended, our faith corroborated. The individual who thinks well of you, who keeps his mind on your good qualities, and does not look for flaws, is your friend. Who is my brother? I'll tell you: he is one who recognizes the good in me. —*Elbert Hubbard.*

TALK happiness. The world is sad enough
Without your woes. No path is wholly rough;
Look for the places that are smooth and clear;
And speak of those to rest the weary ear
Of earth, so hurt by one continuous strain,
Of human discontent and grief and pain.

—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*

OH, how I do appreciate a boy who is always on time! How quickly you learn to depend on him, and how soon you find yourself entrusting him with weightier matters! The boy who has acquired a reputation for punctuality has made the first contribution to the capital that in after years makes his success a certainty. —*H. C. Brown.*

A CONSIDERABLE proportion of failure in business, and ninety per cent of the defalcations, theft, and ruin of youths among those who are employed in places of trust, are due directly to gambling. I have seen, in my vast employment, so much misery caused by the head of the family neglecting its support and squandering his earnings in a policy shop, and promising young men led astray in a small way and finally becoming fugitives or landing in the criminal dock, that I come to believe that the community which licenses and tolerates public gambling cannot have prosperity in business.

—*Chauncey Depew.*

THE man that keeps good-natured,
By misfortune undismayed,
Is the man that comes out winner
When the final hand is played;
There is e'en a certain triumph
That compels respect complete
In the way a real sportsman
Takes his dose of stern defeat.

—*Washington Star.*

THE entire object of true education is to make people not merely do the right things, but enjoy them—not merely industrious, but to love industry—not merely learned, but to love knowledge—not merely pure, but to love purity—not merely just, but to hunger and thirst after justice.

—*John Ruskin.*

LET your first effort be not for wealth, but independence. Whatever be your talents, whatever your prospects, never be tempted to speculate away, on the chance of a palace, that which you need as a provision against the workhouse.

—*Lord Lytton.*

EDUCATION is not learning; it is exercise and development of the powers of the mind. There are two great methods by which this end may be accomplished; it may be done in the halls of learning, or in the conflicts of life.

—*Princeton Review.*

BLESSED are they who have the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but, above all, the power of going out of one's self, and appreciating whatever is noble and loving in another.

—*Thomas Hughes.*

"IF WE continue borrowing for work the hours that are due to sleep, though we may postpone a settlement for years, the final and inevitable result will be physical and mental bankruptcy."

"A NOBLE and attractive every-day bearing comes of goodness, unselfishness, sincerity, and refinement, and these are bred in years, not in moments."

GIVE not thy tongue too great liberty, lest it take thee a prisoner. A word unspoken is like the sword in the scabbard-thine; if vented, thy sword is in another's hand.

—*Quarles.*

STRONGER than steel is the sword of the spirit;
Swifter than arrows the light of the truth is,
Greater than anger is love that subdueth.

—*Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.*

EVERY time you hold yourself rigorously to the task that is appointed to you for the time, definitely attend to it and carry it through with concentrated attention, you are adding to your power to resist temptation.

—*Henry Churchill King.*

IT IS generally the man who does'nt know any better who does the things that can't be done. You see the blamed fool doesn't know that it can't be done, so he goes ahead and does it.

—*Charles Austin Bates.*

"TIME past is gone, thou canst not it recall;
Time is, thou hast, improve that portion small;
Time future is not and may never be,
Time present is the only time for thee."

"BUT whether I live an honest man,
And hold my integrity firm in my clutch,
I tell you, my brother, as plain as I can,
It matters much."

I RESPECT a man who knows distinctly what he wishes. The greater part of all the mischief in the world arises from the fact that men do not sufficiently understand their own whims. They have undertaken to build a tower, and spend no more labor on the foundation than would be necessary to erect a hut. —*Goethe.*

"ECONOMY is of priceless value. The loss of the top hoop means the loss of the barrel." Pick up a grain a day and add to your heap. You will soon learn by happy experience, the power of littles as applies to intellectual processes and gains. —*J. S. Hart.*

PROMPTNESS is a grand leader, which Procrastination limps behind. Today is master of the situation; Tomorrow is an imposter, who is almost sure to bring Failure with him. —*James Thomas Field.*

MAN must always look outside himself for a standard of right and wrong. —*Lowell.*

THE distant mountains, that uprear
Their solid bastions to the skies,
Are crossed by pathways that appear
As we to higher levels rise.

The clouds which rise with thunder, slake
Our thirsty souls with rain;
The blow most dreaded falls to break
From off our limbs a chain.

—*John G. Whittier.*

HE holds no parley with unmanly fears;
Where duty bids, he confidently steers;
Faces a thousand dangers at her call,
And, trusting in his God, surmounts them all.

—*William Wordsworth.*

GOD'S goodness hath been great to thee;
Let never day or night unhallowed pass,
But still remember what the Lord hath done.

—*Shakespeare.*

I CANNOT remain idle. Ever since I was a child, I have had this feeling. Time means everything. If you cannot do a thing here, do it elsewhere. In an hour gained may be accomplished the one thing you have been striving for.

—*G. Marconi.*

DOST thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

—*Benjamin Franklin.*

"KEEP with thee good, and you will soon be one of them. But go with the bad, and you will be one of them."

"IT was only a glad 'good morning'
As she passed along the way,
But it spread the morning's glory
Over the livelong day."

TO BE honest, to be kind, to earn a little, and to spend a little less, to make upon the whole, a family happier for his presence, to renounce when that shall be necessary and not to be embittered, to keep a few friends, that these without capitulation; above all, on the same condition, to keep friends with himself, here is a task for all a man has of fortitude and delicacy. —*Robert Louis Stevenson.*

PIN thy faith to no man's sleeve; hast thou not two eyes of thine own? —*Carlyle.*

THE day is immeasurably long to him who knows not how to value and use it. —*Goethe.*

"DO right and fear no one; thou mayst be sure that with all thy consideration for the world, thou wilt never satisfy the world. But if thou goest forward thy way, not concerning thyself with the friendly or unfriendly glances of men, then thou hast conquered the world, and it is subject to thee."

THEN welcome each rebuff
That turns earth's smoothness rough,
Each sting, that bids not stir nor stand, but go.
—*Robert Browning.*

THE energy wasted in postponing until to-morrow a duty of today will often do the work.
—*Orison Swett Marden.*

'TIS education forms the common mind;
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined.
—*Alexander Pope.*

EVERY moment of worry weakens the soul for its daily combat. —*Henry Wood.*

BEWARE of little expenses; a small leak will sink a great ship. —*Benjamin Franklin.*

MAN is his own star; and the soul that can
Render an honest and an upright man,
Commands all light, all influence, all fate;
Nothing to him falls early or too late.
Our acts our angels are, or good or ill,
Our fatal shadows that walk by us still.

—*Beaumont and Fletcher.*

GIVE me a man so trained in mind, that his body, is the ready servant of his will, and does with ease and pleasure all the work that, as a mechanism, it is capable of.

—*Thomas Huxley.*

OUR greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall. —*Confucius.*

TO DO anything worth doing in the world, we must not stand shivering on the brink, and thinking of the cold and the danger, but jump in and scramble through as well as we can. —*Sidney Smith.*

THE only true refinement—that which goes deep down into the character—comes from Christian charity or love. If such a spirit were universal, a rude clown, or unmannered peasant, or common-minded workman could not be found.

—*F. W. Robertson.*

"WE can never see the sun rise by looking into the west."

'TIS easy enough to be pleasant,
When life flows along like a song;
But the man worth while is the one who will smile,
When everything goes dead wrong;
For the test of the heart is trouble,
And it always comes with the years;
And the smile that is worth the praise of the earth
Is the smile that comes through tears.

—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*

LOST, yesterday, somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered, for they are gone forever.

—*Horace Mann.*

LIFE without endeavor is like entering a jewel-mine and coming out with empty hands.

—*Japanese Proverb.*

"WHEN once the demon enters,
Stands within the door,
Peace and hope and gladness
Dwell there nevermore."

OH, man, forgive thy mortal foe,
Never strike him blow for blow;
For all the souls on earth that live
To be forgiven, must forgive.
Forgive him seventy times and seven,
For all the blessed souls in heaven
Are both forgivers and forgiven.

—*Tennyson.*

"THE powers of man have not been exhausted. Nothing has been done by him that cannot be better done. There is no effort of science or art that may not be exceeded; no depth of philosophy that cannot be deeper sounded; no flight of imagination that may not be passed by strong and soaring wing."

THE two most precious things on this side of the grave are our reputation and our life. But is to be lamented that the most contemptible whisper may deprive us of the one, and the weakest weapon of the other. A wise man, therefore, will be more anxious to deserve a fair name than to possess it, and this will teach him so to live as not to be afraid to die. —*C. C. Colton.*

BEAUTIFUL hands are those that do
Work that is earnest, brave and true,
Moment by moment the long day through.

—*Thomas Ashe.*

WHAT we call the little things are merely the causes of great things. —*Henri Frederic Amiel.*

DON'T send my boy where your girl can't go,
And say, "There's no danger for boys, you know,
Because they all have their wild oats to sow."
There is no more excuse for my boy to be low
Than your girl, then please don't tell him so.

Don't send my boy where your girl can't go;
For a boy or girl, sin is sin, you know.
And my baby boy's hands are as clean and white
And his heart as pure as your girl's tonight.

—*Anon.*

INTEMPERANCE wipes out God's image and stamps it with the counterfeit die of the devil; intemperance smites a healthy body with disease from head to heel, and makes it more loathsome than the leprosy of Naaman or the sores of Lazarus; intemperance dethrones man's reason, and hides her bright beams in the mystic clouds that roll round the shattered temple of the human soul, curtained with midnight.

—*John B. Gough.*

A POLITE man is one who listens with interest to things he knows all about, when they are told him by a person who knows nothing about them.

—*Duc de Morny.*

"IT IS a mark of good manners to show courtesy to servants or to any in humble station of life. A polite request is always better than a stern command. Whoever shows disregard of the feelings of a servant or one in humble station gives unmistakable proof of ill-breeding."

MAN should remember that the chief value of prosperity is in its capitalization of personality, and the rendering of others sensitive to example and precept.

—*Newell D. Hillis.*

WE must be as courteous to a man as we are to a picture, which we are willing to give the advantage of a good light. —*Emerson.*

IN battle or business, whatever the game,
In law or in love, it's ever the same;
In your struggle for power or scramble for pelf,
Let this be your motto: "Rely on yourself."

—*John G. Saxe.*

PERCEPTION and action; a quick eye and clear vision; a vigorous right arm and a deft hand—these are the masters of success in any and in every pursuit.

—*Orison Swett Marden.*

MANY men owe the grandeur of their lives to their tremendous difficulties. —*Spurgeon.*

"WHATEVER is right to do should be done with our best care, strength, and faithfulness of purpose; we have no scales by which we can weigh our faithfulness to duties, or determine their relative importance in God's eyes. That which seems a trifle to us may be the secret spring which shall move the issues of life and death.

EDISON, when recently asked his definition of genius, answered: "Two per cent. is genius and ninety-eight per cent. is hard work." And when the great inventor was asked on another occasion: "Mr. Edison, don't you believe that genius is inspiration?" he replied, "No! Genius is *perspiration.*"

IN the world's broad field of battle,
In the bivouac of life,
Be not like dumb driven cattle—
Be a hero in the strife.

—*Longfellow.*

WE lose vigor through thinking continually the same set of thoughts. New thought is new life.

—*Prentice Mulford.*

LOVE is the purification of the heart from self; it strengthens and ennobles the character, gives higher motives and a nobler aim to every action of life, and makes both man and woman strong, noble and courageous.

—*Miss Jewsbury.*

TEMPERANCE is a bridle of gold; he who uses it rightly is more like a god than like a man.

—*Charles Burton.*

MAN is his own star, and the soul that can be honest is the only perfect man. —*John Fletcher.*

"TAKE the weather as it comes; growling at the sky is very poor and unprofitable business."

"THERE is no surer test of integrity than a well-proportioned expenditure."

I HOPE I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man. —*George Washington.*

"GOD will never leave you without light enough to take one step. Don't stop walking till the light gives out."

WITH aching hands and bleeding feet
We dig and heap, lay stone on stone;
We bear the burden and the heat of the long day
And wish 'twere done.
Not till the hour of light return
All we have built do we discern.

—*Matthew Arnold.*

I PITY no man because he has no work. If he is worth his salt, he will work. I envy the man who has a work worth doing, and does it well. —*Theodore Roosevelt.*

"WHAT we call a turning point is simply an occasion which sums up and brings to a result previous training. Accidental circumstances are nothing except to men who have been trained to take advantage of them."

BOOKS are the legacies that a great genius leaves to mankind, which are delivered down from generation to generation as presents to the posterity of those who are yet unborn. —*Joseph Addison.*

BEGIN, live, aspire, realize the best ideal of the moment; and this earnest effort shall lead the way to greater achievement.

—*H. W. Dresser.*

ALL common things, each day's events,
That with the hour begin and end,
Our pleasures and our discontents,
Are rounds by which we may ascend.
—*Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.*

IF YOU want knowledge, you must toil for it; if food, you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it. Toil is the law. Pleasure comes through toil, and not by self-indulgence and indolence. When one gets to love work, his life is a happy one. —*Ruskin.*

THE race is won! As victor I am hailed
With deafening cheers from eager throats, and yet
Gladder the victory could I forget
The strained, white faces of the men who failed.
—*Julia Shayer.*

SPEAK gently! 'tis a little thing,
Dropped in the heart's deep well.
The good, the joy that it may bring
Eternity shall tell.
—*John Langford.*

"LIFE is full of golden opportunities for doing what we do not want to do."

IN WINTER, when the trees are bare,
And frost flies in the biting air,
He hears the echoes, far away,
Of songs the birds will sing in May;
To him is borne, in wintry hours,
The redolence of sleeping flowers,—
The optimist. —*J. H. Lowe.*

I LOOK upon that man as happy, who, when there is a question of success, looks into his work for a reply; not into the market, not into opinion, not into patronage. Work is victory. You want but one verdict; if you have your own, you are secure of the rest. —*Emerson.*

"TOO often he who is impatient to become his own master, when the outward decks are removed, becomes his own slave."

A GAY, serene spirit is the source of all that is noble and good.

—*Johann Christoph Friedrich Von Schiller.*

THE old year is fast slipping back behind us. We cannot stay it if we would. We must go on and leave our past. Let us go forth nobly. Let us go as those whom greater thoughts and greater deeds await beyond.

—*Phillips Brooks.*

"DON'T nurse opportunity too long—take it into active partnership with you at once, lest it leave you for other company."

PEOPLE have got to work. It is creditable for them to do so; their bodies and their minds are benefited by it, and those who can and will work will be advanced by it.

—*Robert E. Lee.*

LIFE is made up, not of great sacrifices or duties, but of little things in which smiles and kindness and small obligations, given habitually, are what win and preserve the heart and secure comfort. —*Sir Humphrey Davy.*

BE SURE to live on the sunny side, and even then do not expect the world to look bright, if you habitually wear gray-brown glasses. —*Chas. H. Eliot.*

IN ALL things throughout the world, the man who looks for the crooked will see the crooked, and the man who looks for the straight will see the straight. —*Ruskin.*

SELF-CONTROL, I say, is the root virtue of all virtues. It is at the very center of character.

—*Henry Churchill King.*

TO recognize opportunity when it comes, to make the highest use of it when it is not to be recognized at the moment, involves constant enrichment and education of the whole nature. —*Hamilton Wright Mabie.*

MOTHER! how much there is in that word! if there is one earthly blessing for which more than another I feel thankful it is that she is still spared to me to whom I can apply that endearing name.

—*John Greenleaf Whittier.*

WHEN that I was and a little tiny boy,
With hey, ho, the wind and the rain,
A foolish thing was but a toy,
For the rain it raineth every day.
Twelfth Night, Act. v. *Sc.* 1.

—*Shakespeare.*

IN ALL God's creation there is no place appointed for the idle man. —*Gladstone.*

IT IS NOT the reading of many books which is necessary to make a man wise or good, but the well reading of a few, could he be sure to have the best.

—*Richard Baxter.*

ENDEAVOR to be patient in bearing the defects and infirmities of others, of what sort soever they be; for thou thyself also hast many failings which must be borne with by others. —*Thomas A. Kempis.*

LET us have faith that right makes might, and in that fact let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it. —*Abraham Lincoln*

"INSTEAD of wishing that all men were of our mind, we should account it one of the first blessings of life that there are men who do not agree with us. The currents of sea and air are not more necessary than the currents of thought."

RESOLVE to do a little reading every day, if it is but a single sentence. If you gain fifteen minutes a day, it will make itself felt at the end of the year.
—*Horace Mann.*

HE WHO, forgetting self, makes the object of his life service, helpfulness and kindness to others, finds his whole nature growing and expanding, himself becoming large-hearted, magnanimous, kind, sympathetic, joyous and happy; his life becoming rich and beautiful.
—*Ralph Waldo Trine.*

WE LEAD but one life here on earth, we must make that beautiful. And to do this, health and elasticity of mind are needful; and whatever endangers or impedes these must be avoided. —*Longfellow.*

FIRST make your arrangements, then trust in heaven; and in no case worry. —*Prof. Jowett.*

WE never know for what God is preparing us in his schools, for what work on earth, for what work in the hereafter. Our business is to do our work well in the present place, whatever that may be. —*Lyman Abbott.*

WRITE it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year. —*Emerson.*

IN ALL ages man has been stimulated to sowing by the certainty of reaping. Tomorrow's sheaves and shoutings support today's tearful sowing. *Certainty of victory wins battles before they are fought.*

—*Newell Dwight Hillis.*

THE man who cannot laugh is not only fit for treason, stratagem, and spoils, but his whole life is already a treason and a stratagem. —*Thomas Carlyle.*

A YOUNG man cannot honestly make a success in any business unless he loves his work, any more than a married man can be happy in his home unless he loves his wife. —*Edward Bok.*

"IT IS said that every word whispered into the air starts vibrations which will quiver on and on forever in space. The same is true also of influences which go out from our lives in the commonest ways—they will go on forever."

I EXPECT to pass through this life but once. If, therefore, there is any kindness I can show, or any good I can do to any fellow-being, let me do it now, let me not defer it, for I shall not pass this way again.

—*Mrs. A. B. Hegeman.*

REMEMBER that every man at times stumbles and must be helped up; if he's down, you cannot carry him. The only way in which any man can be helped permanently is to help himself. —*Theodore Roosevelt.*

THERE is great danger in constant dissatisfaction. Sooner or later, it will involve the health, or finances, or both, for it destroys the mental balance, and impairs the judgment.

—*C. B. Newcomb.*

TO HOLD one's self in readiness for opportunity, to keep the serene, confident, hopeful, and joyful energy of mind, is to magnetize it, and draw privileges and power toward one. The concern is not whether opportunity will present itself, but as to whether we will be ready for the opportunity. It comes not to doubt and denial and disbelief. It comes to sunny expectation, eager purpose, and to noble and generous aspiration. —*Lilian Whiting.*

LET us beware of losing our enthusiasm. Let us glory in something, and strive to retain our admiration for all that would ennoble, and our interest in all that would enrich and beautify our life.

—*Phillips Brooks.*

IF WE neglect to exercise any talent, power, or quality it soon falls away from us. —*Henry Wood.*

NEVER depend upon your genius; if you have talent, industry will improve it; if you have none, industry will supply the deficiency. —*John Ruskin.*

THE secret of success in society is a certain heartiness and sympathy. —*Emerson.*

"BUT, oh, forget not, while you pray,
To push with all your might!
The least of you can push a pound,
And thus can speed the right."

THE mountain top must be reached no matter how many times we fall in reaching it. The fall is not counted, it does not register; the picking up and going on counts in life. —*Flora Howard.*

DO THOROUGHLY whatever work God may give you to do, and cultivate all your talents besides.
—*Archibald A. Hodge.*

HE WHO meets life as though it meant something worth finding out, and who expresses his best self, is the one who has the permanent basis of happiness.
—*H. W. Dresser.*

I AM surprised that intelligent men do not see the immense value of good temper in their homes; and am amazed that they will take such pains to have costly houses and fine furniture, and yet sometimes neglect to bring home with them good temper.
—*Theodore Parker.*

MY OWN experience and development deepens every day my conviction that our moral progress may be measured by the degree in which we sympathize with individual suffering and individual joy. —*George Eliot.*

"IF what shone afar so grand
turned to ashes in the hand;
On again, the virtue lies
In the struggle, not the prize."

BE YOU only whole and sufficient, and I shall feel you in every part of my life and fortune, and I can as easily dodge the gravitation of the globe as escape your influence. —*Emerson.*

"NOTHING is so contagious as enthusiasm. It is the real allegory of the fable of Orpheus; it moves stones and charms brutes. It is the genius of sincerity, and truth accomplishes no victories without it."

CONFIDENCE imparts a wonderful inspiration to its possessor. —*John Milton.*

NO ONE is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it to anyone else. —*Dickens.*

THE power which resided in an individual is new in nature, and none but he knows what this is which he can do, nor does he know until he has tried.

—*Emerson.*

REAL knowledge, like everything else of value, is not to be obtained easily. It must be worked for, studied for, thought for, and, more than all, must be prayed for.

—*Thomas Arnold.*

LET joy, temperance and repose
Slam the door on the doctor's nose.

—*Longfellow.*

BUILD thee more stately mansions, O my soul,
As the swift seasons roll!
Leave thy low-vaulted past!
Let each new temple, nobler than the last,
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,
Till thou at length art free;
Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's unresting sea.

—*Oliver Wendell Holmes.*

THE highest point of achievement of yesterday is the starting point of today.

—*Motto of Paulist Fathers.*

NOBODY has any right to find life uninteresting or unrewarding who sees within the sphere of his own activity a wrong he can help to remedy, or within himself an evil he can hope to overcome.

—*Chas. H. Eliot.*

WE ARE born to grow—this is the world which religion, philosophy, literature, and art ceaselessly utter; and we can grow only by keeping ourselves in vital communion with the world within and without us.

—*John Lancaster Spalding.*

LET nothing disturb thee,
Nothing afright thee;
All things are passing;
God never changeth;
Patient endurance
Attaineth to all things;
Who God possesseth
In nothing is wanting;
Alone God sufficeth.

—*Longfellow.*

A SUNNY dispositon is the very soul of success, enabling a man to do double the labor that he could without it, and to do it with half the physical and mental exhaustion.

—*William Mathews.*

CHARACTER is in the long run the decisve factor in the life of individuals and of nations alike.

—*Theodore Roosevelt.*

WHEN a fellow knows his business, he doesn't have to explain to people that he does. It isn't what a man knows, but what he thinks he knows that he brags about. Big talk means little knowledge.

—*George Horace Lorimer.*

SHOW me a man who has benefited the world by his wisdom, or his country by his patriotism, or his neighborhood by his philanthropy, and you show me a man who has made the best of every minute.

—*Orison Swett Marden.*

MY FRIENDS have come to me unsought, the great God gave them to me. —*Emerson.*

WOULDST shape a noble life? Then cast
No backward glances toward the past,
And though somewhat be lost and gone,
Yet do thou act as one new-born;
What each day needs, that shalt thou ask,
Each day will set its proper task.

—*Goethe.*

THERE is one thing that is almost as sacred as the marriage relation—that is an appointment. A man who fails to meet his appointment, unless he has a good reason, is practically a liar, and the world treats him as such.

—*Orison Swett Marden.*

THE secret of success lies in embracing every opportunity of seeking high and right ends, and in never forgetting the golden rule of catechism, "Doing your duty in that station of life to which it shall please God to call you."

—*Duke of Wellington.*

NEVER give up; there are chances and changes
Helping the hopeful, a hundred to one;
And, through the chaos, high wisdom arranges
Ever success, if you'll only hold on."

"BETTER be conceited, and know something than be humble in ignorance."

HIGH thoughts and noble in all lands
Help me; my soul is fed by such.
But ah, the touch of life and hands,
The human touch!
Warm, vital, close, life's symbols dear,
These need I most, and now, and here.

—*Richard Burton.*

NEW occasions teach new duties;
Time makes ancient good uncouth;
They must upward still, and onward,
Who would keep abreast of truth.
—*James Russell Lowell.*

NOR deem the irrevocable past
As wholly wasted, wholly vain,
If rising on its wreck, at last,
To something nobler we attain.
—*Longfellow.*

SO I will trudge with heart elate,
And feet with courage shod,
For that which men call chance and fate
Is the handiwork of God.
—*Alice Cary.*

EVERY good and commanding movement in the annals of the world is the triumph of enthusiasm. Nothing great was ever accomplished without it.—*Emerson.*

"FOSTER in the home the spirit of enthusiasm, good-will, and progress, and the enterprises of the world will knock unbidden at the door."

THERE are people who go about the world looking for slights and they are necessarily miserable, for they find them at every turn.—*Drummond.*

WHAT a man is inwardly that to him will the world be outwardly: his mood affects the very "quality of the day."—*Bradford Torrey.*

"A MAN'S success in life is usualy in proportion to his confidence in himself, and the energy and persistence with which he pursues his aim."

THE making of friends, who are real friends, is the best token we have of a man's success in life.

—*Edward Everett Hale.*

SO long as we love, we serve. So long as we are loved by others I would almost say we are indispensable; and no man is useless while he has a friend.

—*Robert Louis Stevenson.*

ACCUSTOM yourself to master and overcome things of difficulty; for if you observe—the left hand for want of practice is insignificant—and not adapted to general business; yet it holds the bridle better than the right—from constant use.—*Pliny.*

NO man ever found a happy life by chance, or yawned it into being with a wish.—*Robert Cecil.*

NAY, if you come to that, best love of all
Is God's; then why not have God's love befall
Myself? —*Robert Browning.*

REPUTATION is in itself only a farthing candle, of wavering and uncertain flame, and easily blown out; but it is the light by which the world looks for and finds merit.
—*Lowell.*

THE nerve that never relaxes, the eye that never blanches, the thought that never wanders—these are the masters of victory.—*Edmund Burke.*

I SHOULD count myself fortunate if my home were remembered for some inspiring quality of faith, charity, and aspiring intelligence.—*Hamilton Wright Mabie.*

"OF all bad habits, despondency is among the least respectable, and there is no one quite so tiresome as the sad-visaged Christian, who is oppressed by the wickedness and hopelessness of the world."

ALL service ranks the same with God—
There is no last or first.
—*Robert Browning.*

THE common problem, yours, mine, every one's,
Is not to fancy what were fair in life,
Provided it could be—but finding first
What may be, then find how to make it fair
Up to our means. —*Browning.*

IF I were to be asked what is the great want of English society—to mingle class with class—I would say in a word the want is the want of sympathy.
—*Thomas N. Talfourd.*

BE thou the rainbow to the storms of life!
The evening beam that smiles the clouds away
And tints to-morrow with prophetic ray.
—*Byron.*

THE man who is capable of generating enthusiasm can't be whipped.—*Edward Bulwer.*

IN the long run a man becomes what he purposes, and gains for himself what he really desires.
—*Hamilton Wright Mabie.*

FRIENDSHIP requires that rare mean between betwixt likeness and unlikeness that piques each with the presence of power and of consent in the other party.

—*Emerson.*

DIE when I may, I want it said of me, by those who know me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower when I thought a flower would grow.

—*Abraham Lincoln.*

THERE is no preservative and antiseptic, nothing that keeps one's heart young like sympathy, like giving one's self with enthusiasm to some worthy thing or cause.

—*John Burroughs.*

FAIL! Fail!
In the lexicon of youth which fate reserves
For a bright manhood, there is no such word as *fail.*

—*Bulwer Lytton.*

BLESSED are they who have the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but, above all, the power of going out of one's self and seeing and appreciating whatever is noble and loving in another.—*Thomas Hughes.*

"BE true to right; let justice still
Her even balance claim;
Unawed, unbribed, through good or ill
Make rectitude your aim."

I WOULD rather be right than be President.
—*Henry Clay.*

THE TEST of friendship is its fidelity when every charm of fortune and environment has been swept away, and the bare, undraped character alone remains; if love still holds steadfast, and the joy of companionship still survives, in such an hour, the fellowship becomes a beautiful prophet of immortality.
—*Hamilton Wright Mabie.*

TO live on, even when life seems a failure and the comforts of life are gone; to count patient living the real living, with or without comfort—that is to be truly brave. —*Phillips Brooks.*

"LET every man, if possible, gather some good books under his roof and obtain access for himself and family to some social library. Almost every luxury should be sacrificed to this."

THE question for each man to settle is not what he would do if he had the means, time, influence and educational advantages; the question is what will he do with the things he has. The moment a young man ceases to dream or to bemoan his lack of opportunities and resolutely looks his conditions in the face, and resolves to chance them, he lays the corner-stone of a solid and honorable success.

—Hamilton Wright Mabie.

GAMBLING.

THIS is a vice which is productive of every possible evil, equally injurious to the morals and health of its votaries. It is the child of avarice, the brother of iniquity, and the father of mischief. *—George Washington.*

ALL the genius I have lies just in this: When I have a subject in hand, I study it profoundly. Day and night it is before me. I explore it in all its bearings; my mind becomes pervaded with it. Then the effort which I make the people are pleased to call the fruit of genius. It is the fruit of labor and thought. *—Alexander Hamilton.*

IF a man does not make new acquaintances as he advances through life, he will soon find himself alone. A man, sir, should keep his friendships in constant repair.

—Dr. Johnson.

SUCCESS in life depends far more upon decision of character than upon the possession of what is called genius. The man who is perpetually hesitating as to which of two things he will do, will do neither.

—*William Wirt.*

CERTAIN it is, that the best passport to society a young man can have, next to a clean character, is the possession of fine manners. —*Mary A. Livermore.*

SET yourself earnestly to see what you were made to do, and then set yourself earnestly to do it; and the loftier your purpose is the more sure you will be to make the world richer with every enrichment of yourself.

—*Phillips Brooks.*

YOU may be great, you may be good,
You may be noble, more or less;
But all that will be understood
Will be your tangible success.

—*Robert Burns.*

"SUCCESS is not measured by what a man accomplishes, but by the opposition he has encountered and the courage with which he maintained the struggle against overwhelming odds."

WHO is the honest man?
He that doth still and strongly good pursue,
To God, his neighbor and himself most true,
Whom neither force nor fawning can
Unpin, or wrench from giving all their due.
—*George Herbert.*

"THE wind never blows fair for that sailor who knows not to what port he is bound."

TRUE mastery is compact of supreme qualities. It is heroism; it is culture; it is intelligence; it is endurance; it is unconquerable will!
—*James Thomas Fields.*

HUMILITY is the part of wisdom, and is most becoming in men. But let no one discourage self-reliance; it is, of all, the greatest quality of true manliness.
—*Louis Kossuth.*

"A FRIVOLOUS word, a sharp retort,
A flash from a passing cloud,
Two hearts are scathed to their inmost core,
Are ashes and dust forever more;
Two faces turn to the crowd,
Masked by pride with a life-long lie,
To hide the scars of that agony."

LOVE contains no complete and lasting happiness save in the transparent atmosphere of perfect sincerity.

—*Maurice Maeterlinck.*

HE that is choice of his time will be choice of his company and choice of his actions.

—*Jeremy Taylor.*

TO LIVE content with small means—to seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement rather than fashion, to be worthy, not respectable, and wealthy, not rich—to study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly, to listen to stars and birds, babes and sages, with open heart—to bear all cheerfully—do all bravely, await occasions—never hurry; in a word, to let the spiritual, unbidden and unconscious grow up through the common. This is to be my symphony. —*William Ellery Channing.*

A BOOK is a friend; a good book is a good friend. It will talk to you when you want it to talk, and it will keep still when you want it to keep still—and there are not many friends who know enough to do that. A library is a collection of friends. —*Lyman Abbott.*

YESTERDAY'S successes belong to yesterday with all yesterday's defeats and sorrows. The day is *Here.* The time is *Now.* —*Elbert Hubbard.*

IMMORTALITY will come to such as are fit for it; and he who would be a great soul in the future must be a great soul now. —*Emerson.*

AS O'ER glacier's frozen sheet
Breathes soft the Alpine rose,
So through life's desert springing sweet,
The flower of Friendship grows.
—*Oliver Wendell Holmes.*

COURAGE, moreover, is the presage of success; to believe in one's self and one's power is always half the battle.
—*William J. Tilley.*

"A NAMBY-PAMBY, nerveless man has little show in the hustling, bustling world of to-day. In the twentieth century a man must either push or be pushed."

"HAPPINESS does not depend on money or leisure, or society, or even on health; it depends on our relation to those we love."

TO TRAVEL hopefully is a better thing than to arrive, and the true success if to labor.
—*Robert Louis Stevenson.*

RESOLVE to cultivate a cheerful spirit, a smiling countenance and a soothing voice. The sweet smile, the subdued speech, the hopeful mind are earth's most potent conquerers, and he who cultivates them becomes a very master among men.—*Elbert Hubbard.*

A PRAYER

O POWERS That Be, make me sufficient to my own occasions. Teach me to know and to observe the Rules of the game. Give me to mind my own business at all times and to lose no good opportunity of holding my tongue. Let me never lack proper pride or a due sense of humor. Preserve, oh, preserve me from growing stodgy and unimaginative.

Help me not to cry for the moon, or over spilled milk; to manage my physical constitution and my practical affairs discreetly; never to dramatize my spirtual discomforts.

Grant me neither to proffer nor to welcome cheap praise; to distinguish sharply between sentiment and sentimentality, cleaving to the one and despising the other.

Deliver me from emotional excess. Deliver me from atrophy of the emotions.

When it is appointed me to suffer, let me, so far as humanely may be possible, take example from the dear, well-bred beasts, and go away quietly to bear my suffering by myself.

Let me not dwell in the outer whirlwind of things and events; guide me, rather, to the Central Calm, and grant that I may abide therein. Give me, nevertheless, to be always a good comrade, and to view the passing show with an eye

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constantly growing keener, a charity broadening and deepening day by day.

Help me to win, if win I may; but—and this, Oh Powers, especialy—if I may not win, make me a good loser.

Vouchsafe me not to estrange the other me at my elbow; suffer not my primal light to wane; and grant that I may carry my cup brimming, yet unspilled, to the last. Amen.

—Eliza Atkins Stone (From "Life.")

ELEGY.

OH SNATCH'D away in beauty's bloom!
On thee shall press no ponderous tomb;
But on thy turf shall roses rear
Their leaves, the earliest of the year,
And the wild cypress wave in tender gloom:

And oft by yon blue gushing stream
Shall Sorrow lean her drooping head,
And feed deep thought with many a dream,
And lingering pause and lightly tread;
Fond wretch! as if her step disturb'd the dead!

Away! we know that tears are vain,
That Death nor heeds nor hears distress:
Will this unteach us to complain?
Or make one mourner weep the less?
And thou, who tell'st me to forget,
Thy looks are wan, thine eyes are wet.

—Lord Byron.

RETRIBUTION.

THOUGH the mills of God grind slowly,
yet they grind exceedingly small;
Though with patience he stands waiting,
with exactness grinds he all.

From the German of F. Von Logau.
Translation of H. W. Longfellow.

DID you tackle that trouble that came your way
With a resolute heart and cheerful;
Or hide your face from the light of day
With a craven soul and fearful?
Oh, a trouble's a ton or a trouble's an ounce,
Or a trouble is what you make it—
And it isn't the fact that you're hurt that counts,
But only how did you take it?

You are beaten to earth? Well, well, what's that?
Come up with a smiling face.
It's nothing against you to fall down flat;
But to lie there—that's disgrace.
The harder you're thrown, why the higher you'll bounce;
Be proud of your blackened eye;
It isn't the fact that you're licked that counts,
It's how did you fight, and why?

And tho you be done to the death, what then?
If you battled the best you could,
If you played your part in the world of men,

Why the Critic will call it good.
Death comes with a crawl, or comes with a bounce;
And whether he's slow or spry,
It isn't the fact that you're dead that counts,
But only, how did you die?

FAILURE is, in a sense, the highway to success, inasmuch as every discovery of what is false leads us to seek earnestly after what is true, and every fresh experience points out some form of error which we shall afterward carefully avoid. —*John Keats.*

BECAUSE you loved me, I have much achieved;
Had you despised me, then I must have failed;
But knowing that you trusted and believed,
I dared not disappoint, and so prevailed.
—*Paul Lawrence Dunbar.*

"WE call him strong who stands unmoved,—
Calm as some tempest-beaten rock—
When some great trouble hurls its shock;
We say of him, 'His strength is proved';
But when the spent storm folds its wings,
How bears he then life's little things?"

"KNOWLEDGE is power."

THE recollection of a friend we admire, is a great force to save us from evil and to prompt us to good.

—*Black.*

NEVER tell evil of a man if you do not know it for a certainty, and if you know it for a certainty, then ask yourself, "Why should I tell it?"

—*Lavater.*

"EVERY small river will carry a good deal of water to sea—if it keep running."

SUCCESS in life is a matter not so much of talent or opportunity as of concentration and perseverance.

—*Chas. W. Wendte.*

HE prayeth best who loveth best
All things both great and small;
For the dear God, who loveth us,
He made and loveth all.

—*Samuel T. Coleridge.*

THE nearer you come into relation with a person, the more necessary do tact and courtesy become.

—*Holmes.*

THE best of men and the most earnest workers will make enough mistakes to make them humble. Thank God for mistakes and take courage. Don't give up on account of mistakes.—*Dwight L. Moody.*

"LET us grow out of the idea that because we do some one a favor or render him a service, that he is therefore under some transcendent obligation to us. Let us recognize the truth—that it is we who are obliged if he will permit us to do him a favor."

HAVE faith in nothing but in industry,
Be at it late and early, persevere,
And work right on, through censure and applause.
—*Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.*

THERE is nothing so laborious as not to labor. Blessed is he who devotes his life to great and noble ends, and who forms his well-considered plans with deliberate wisdom. —*St. Augustine.*

EXPERT men can execute, and perhaps judge of particulars, one by one; but the general counsels, and the plots and marshalling of affairs, come best from those who are learned.—*Lord Francis Bacon.*

LET us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it. —*Abraham Lincoln.*

THE mind has a thousand eyes,
And the heart but one;
Yet the light of a whole life dies
When love is done.
—*F. W. Bourdillon.*

TEACH me to feel another's woe,
To hide the fault I see;
That mercy I to others show,
That mercy show to me.
—*Alexander Pope.*

NO one can ask honestly or hopefully to be delivered from temptation unless he has himself honestly and firmly determined to do the best he can to keep out of it.
—*John Ruskin.*

"IF you have gracious words to say
Oh, give them to our hearts to-day,
But if your words will cause us sorrow,
Pray keep them till the last to-morrow."

MAN may direct the intellect, but woman directs the heart.
—*Samuel Smiles.*

WHO conquers self—he is hero born;
His name may die, forgotten by his peers,
Be yet the seed he sowed in care and tears
Shall bear rich harvests through immortal years.
—*F. A. Shaw.*

ASPIRE, break bounds! I say
Endeavor to be good, and better still,
And best! —*Robert Browning.*

RESOLVED, to ask myself at the end of every day, week, month and year wherein I could possibly in any respect have done better.—*Jonathan Edwards.*

AFTER every storm the sun will smile; for every problem there is a solution, and the soul's indefensible duty is to be of good cheer.—*Wm. R. Alger.*

TO educate the heart, one must be willing to go out of himself and to come into loving contact with others.
—*James Freeman Clarke.*

"NOR love nor honor, wealth nor power,
Can give the heart a cheerful hour,
When health is lost. Be timely wise;
With health all taste of pleasure flies."

BE what thou seemst; live thy creed,
Hold up to earth the touch divine;
Be what thou prayest to be made;
Let the great Master's steps be thine.
—*Horatio Bonar.*

LET a man have but an aim, a purpose, and opportunities to attain his end shall start forth like buds at the kiss of spring.—*John Lancaster Spalding.*

YET ere we part, one lesson I can leave you
For every day . . . .
Be good . . . .
Do noble things, not dream them, all day long;
And so make life, death, and that vast forever
One grand sweet song. —*Charles Kingsley.*

RESOLVE to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you promise. —*Benjamin Franklin.*

THE greatest success is confidence, or perfect understanding between sincere people. —*Emerson.*

IN many a mountain fastness,
By many a river's foam,
And through the gorgeous cities,
'Twas loneliness to roam;
For the sweetest music in my heart
Was the olden song of home.

—*Bayard Taylor.*

I WOULD not give a farthing for a man's religion if his dog and cat are not the better for it.

—*Rowland Hill.*

BE not simply good—be good for something.

—*Thoreau.*

"NOT everything that succeeds is success; a man may make a million and be a failure still."

COME what will, I will keep my faith with friend and foe.

—*Abraham Lincoln.*

DON'T flatter yourself that friendship authorizes you to say disagreeable things to your intimates. The nearer you come into relation with a person, the more necessary do tact and courtesy become. Except in cases of necessity, which are rare, leave your friend to learn unpleasant things from his enemies; they are ready enough to tell them.

—*Holmes.*

THE only way to have a friend is to be one.

—*Emerson.*

MY friend, is one whom I can associate with my choicest thoughts. —*Thoreau.*

OF what shall a man be proud, if he is not proud of his friends? —*Stevenson.*

LETTERS.

EVERY day brings a ship,
Every ship brings a word;
Well, for those who have no fear,
Looking seaward well assured
That the word the vessel brings
Is the word they wish to hear.

—*Ralph Waldo Emerson.*

THE SWEETS OF LOVE.

THEN awake!—the heavens look bright, my dear!
'T is never too late for delight, my dear!
And the best of all ways
To lengthen our days,
Is to steal a few hours from the night, my dear!

Young May Moon. —*Moore.*

THE real comforts of life cost but a small proportion of what most of us can earn. —*P. T. Barnum.*

A GOOD name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor than silver and gold. —*Bible.*

SELF-REVERENCE, self-knowledge, self-control; these three alone lead life to sovereign power.
—*Alfred Tennyson.*

IT is surely much better to pardon too much than to condemn too much. —*Geo. Eliot.*

DOING right never hurt anybody; doing wrong always does. —*Garfield.*

HE who does not strive after something with eagerness, finds everything burdensome and tedious.

—*Lord Francis Bacon.*

IT is only when good habits exist that principles can exert an ennobling influence. —*Aristotle.*

NEVER despair, but if you do, work in despair.

—*Edmund Burke.*

EVERYBODY finds out, sooner or later, that all success worth having is founded on Christian rules of conduct.

—*H. M. Field.*

A LITTLE learning is a dangerous thing, but it's not half so risky as none at all.

WHAT do we live for if not to make the world less difficult for each other? —*George Eliot.*

TRUTH and right are above utility in all realms of thought and action. —*Charles William Eliot.*

WHEN things first got to goin' wrong with me, I says: "O Lord, whatever comes, keep me from gittin sour!" Since then I've made it a practice to put all my worries down in the bottom of my heart, then set on the lid an' smile.

—*Mrs. Wiggs.*

FOR a woman to be wise and at the same time womanly, is to wield a tremendous influence which may be felt for good in the lives of generations to come.

—*David Starr Jordan.*

YOU cannot, in any given case, by any sudden and single effort, will to be true, if the habit of your life has been incerity. —*F. W. Robertson.*

NO one but yourself can make your life beautiful, no one can be pure, honorable and loving for you.

—*J. R. Miller.*

THE essence of friendship is entireness, a total magnanimity and trust. —*Emerson.*

A FRIEND is a person with whom I may be sincere. Before him, I may think aloud. —*Emerson.*

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